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OYSTER EXTINCTION.

Are the oysters giving out? This shuddering question is prompted by sundry relations and suggestions made in the course of recent discussions and reports in the Maryland Legislature. Maryland and the waters thereof are the home of the oyster. The bottom of the Potomac river, the Chesapeake bay and the other estuaries running into the State are encrusted with beds of these edible bivalves, and it is from these breeding beds that our chief supplies are drawn. But not only is the consumption of oysters increasing at an enormous rate, but human greed and rapacity are inflicting on them a havoc which, it is hinted, must, if persisted in, lead, ultimately, if not to the utter extinction of the Baltimore oyster, to the degeneration of the wretched diminutiveness that makes its European brother so uninteresting and contemptible. It is officially stated in these discussions that the greater part of the 3,000,000 bushels of oysters taken from the Potomac river in the last two years were taken by unlicensed dredgers, and that last year 1,743,000 bushels were drawn from the Maryland waters and transported, in violation of the law, to New Jersey and Connecticut for bedding purposes—nearly all being taken in the spawning season. In addition to this the dredgers constantly ply their work in such a way as to destroy vast quantities of "spat." These destructive processes are beginning to tell on the supply. It was testified that the oyster beds in Potomac sound are pretty much exhausted already, and that in Tangier sound they are gradually failing and good authorities declare that "if the legitimate and legitimate taking of oysters in Maryland waters is permitted to go on at the present rate, the time is not far distant when we shall have but few oysters to take." The bare idea suggested here is enough to strike the country with horror, for what would life be without oysters?

Memphis.

The inspection returns at Memphis show that the city has a population of 30,659, an increase of about 26 per cent. since 1870. Of this population 16,705 are whites and 13,954 colored. The average mortality for the last five years was 31 per 1,000 in epidemic years running up to 51 per 1,000. The report of the Sanitary Committee states that excremental and malarial diseases caused about 37 per cent of the deaths during the last five years, and that the mortality can be reduced to 17 per 1,000 with a good sewerage system and pure water supply.

CONGRESS.

A telegram to the Chicago Tribune, from Washington, says: If precedents have anything to do with a long session, there is little prospect that the present session can be terminated before July. A person who has taken the trouble to look over the dates of adjournment says that the record shows that in no presidential year since 1823 has congress adjourned before June and that frequently in such years it has remained in session until July or August. The session of 1876 was prolonged until Aug. 15th.

TILDEN'S FIRST SKIRMISH.

Like most of his first campaign, the initial battle will be fought out in the Democratic State Committee, which meets at Pittsburgh on the 11th inst. to decide the time and place of holding the State Convention. The Tilden men wish the convention to be held in the western part of the State—either Harrisburg or Erie would suit them—while the opposition have a preference for Harrisburg, or some other eastern or central point—Baltimore.

It doesn't pay to be absent minded. A Hartford gentleman, who has been in the habit of paying \$50 for a pew in church, was unable to attend the service the other evening, and requested a friend to see to it that he should have his old seat as heretofore. He subsequently met another friend and made the same request, forgetting that he had already appointed an agent. At the auction one brother started the pew at \$50 the other offered \$51, and bid followed bid until \$83 was reached. The two agents had been bidding against each other.

An immense emigration is in prospect for the Western States. Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas have now thousands of prospectors for lands. There are millions of fertile acres, and what they need is capital and willing hands to work. The disposition to get away from towns and cities and engage in agricultural pursuits is a most hopeful indication. In every disaster and period of peril the nation has to drop back upon the producers as its chief source of strength. A State whose acres are dotted thick with homes owned by intelligent occupants, is a giant capable of any achievement in the interests of humanity. A nation made up of such States can look the world in the face without fear.

A \$1,000 Guarantee. A famous S. Kidney and Liver Cure will positively cure Bright's Disease and all other diseases of the kidneys. It is guaranteed that it will cure every case without injury to the system, unless taken according to directions, and the sum of \$1,000 will be paid to any person who can prove that it did not cure him. J. H. Warner & Co., 111 N. W. 4th St., St. Paul, Minn.

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EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

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TEACHERS' MEETING.

Regular meeting called to order by Mr. Wilson minutes of preceding meeting read and approved. Report of committee on investigation received and adopted. Committee discharged.

On motion the present executive committee was discharged. On motion the action of the committee just discharged was legalized.

On motion the County Supt. was appointed to select a committee of five, of which he shall be chairman, said committee to make arrangements and hold an annual institute, and whose term of office shall expire with the close of said institute.

Mr. D. W. Stookey, of Harrisburg, then proceeded with an exercise in Decimal Fractions, followed by Supt. Trainer with some hints on school movements.

After numerous suggestions from different members the association adjourned, to meet the first Saturday in April, with the following programme:

Oral Spelling—J. Trainer
Uses of the Initiative—John Smith
War of 1812—William Erwin
Circulation in Vertebrates—L. A. Gast
S. M. McBride, Sec.

NOTES, ETC.

The report of the committee mentioned above is as full of "big words" as the well-rounded sentences of Wm. Evans. Worcester takes the place of Webster for once in the West.

Over 1900 papers have been returned on the state examination work. The teachers of this county deserve great credit for the interest taken in this work. Verily, Macon county will not stand at the foot of the ladder in this direction.

The task of assorting these papers will be no small job. One paper from each school on each topic will be selected, and the whole neatly bound for the state committee. This will make from eight to twelve papers from each individual school taking part in the examination.

Sixty-nine applicants were examined last month for teachers' certificates, twenty-eight of this number passed the required grade.

The next regular examination will be on Saturday, March 30. Persons desiring to write are requested to come early, to complete the examination in one day. These examinations will be held regularly on the third Saturday of each month till July.

We have been solicited by quite a number of the leading teachers of the county to raise the minimum grade of teachers' examinations. While we think that the grade is too low, we do not find much trouble in grading the questions in such a manner as to virtually raise the grade. Let us hear from the other side of the question.

A teacher wants to know how to dispose of "in this," "That you have wronged me" doth appear in this. Let us hear from some one on this subject.

The state schools close on the 19th for one week.

EX-SENATOR J. H. BUNCH, of Louisiana, told a few more unwelcome truths to Voorhees' Exodus Committee yesterday. He said the efforts last winter by the Democrats to pass the chain gang law, and the uncertainty of the status of the colored people under Democratic rule, prevented many from making the usual labor contracts in January and February this year, and the consequence was that a large number of colored people flocked to the cities and towns on the banks of the rivers, in order to secure passage to the North. Mr. Bunch gives the five following reasons for the exodus:

1. Fear of interference with their educational privileges.
2. The uncertainty of obtaining homes and security of retaining them.
3. Interference with their religious and personal rights.
4. Fear of disfranchisement.
5. The power of the Democratic county returning boards to mold the political sentiment as they please is shown by the election returns from Ouachita parish, where, in 1876, from 1,200 to 1,500 Republican and 400 or 500 Democratic votes were cast, while at the last election the leading Democrat polled 1,976 and the Republican candidate only eleven votes.

The witness was then asked by Mr. Voorhees to explain how it is that so many parishes where the colored Republicans outnumber the white Democrats so largely, they do not defend themselves and prevent the wrongs it is alleged they suffer from. In reply Mr. Bunch said it should be remembered that these white Democrats are the same people whom, when engaged in rebellion, it required the expenditure of millions of treasure the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives, and over four years of time to subdue, that while it is borne in mind that ever since the collapse of the rebellion the whites have kept up their military organization, and an army of them drilled and trained fighters, exists to day, it is absurd to expect the negro, with a hoe in his hand, to resist these men.

THE simplest and surest test for oleomargarine is to heat the substance in a small tryng pan. Butter will gradually get brown and smell nicely, even when beginning to burn black. Oleomargarine will never get brown but will directly, if the heating continues, change from clear yellow fat to black, and emit all the while an odor familiar to those who live near a fat factory.

A nice fitting suit is what every lady wants and should have. You can get them at BARKER & BARKER, 111 N. W. 4th St., St. Paul, Minn. d&wt

TELEGRAPHIC.

WASHINGTON.

Senator Hill Vindicated.

Dennis Kearney Gets Six Months in Jail.

THE UTE TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—The Secretary of the Interior to-day received a telegram from Los Pinos Agency, dated March 14, stating a number of parties have already staked placer claims and taken up ranches on the Ute reservation, and that others are preparing to follow. The telegram says: "The next two weeks will see the reservation swarming with trespassers, and conflict is inevitable."

The Agent concludes his dispatch with a request that troops be ordered to the reservation for the purpose of protecting the Utes. This matter was a subject of consideration at the meeting of the Cabinet to-day, and later Secretary Schurz had a conference on the subject with Quay and the Ute Chiefs now here awaiting the action of Congress on their agreement with the Government relative to ceding their reservation. It was decided at this conference that, in order to influence their nation against hostilities, the Ute Chiefs should leave at once for Colorado.

CANTON, O., March 16.—Judge Meyer has sentenced John Sammett to be hanged on June 25, for the murder of Christian Spuhles, at Massillon, last November. Sammett is but 18 years old. He feared the testimony Spuhler might offer against him in a case of burglary with which Sammett was charged, and shot his victim dead.

CITY OF MEXICO, March 6.—President Diaz has issued an order that prefects and army officers shall abstain from taking part in or interfering with the political campaign. The same rule is applied to Postmasters and telegraph operators, who in case of disobedience, will be removed. The order enjoins the perfect freedom of the people at the polls without distinction of party.

RICHMOND, VA., March 16.—Heavy rains have swollen all the tributaries of the James river above here, and a serious flood is feared. The merchants in the lower part of the city are removing their goods. The river at Lynchburg has raised about six feet and is still rising. The Rappahannock river, at Charlottesville, is also rising rapidly.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The Democrats of the Senate came to the rescue of Senator Hill to day, and by a strict party vote laid upon the table Kellogg's resolution to investigate the truth of the stories put in circulation by Hill that he (Kellogg) was instrumental in having the woman make charges against Hill's morality. Mr. Hill was not in his seat, nor has he been in it since these stories about him became public.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—The Police Judge this morning sentenced Dennis Kearney to six months imprisonment in the House of Correction and to pay a fine of \$1,000. The magnitude of the sentence was a surprise to Kearney, who had expected a nominal punishment. It is probable that he will take the case to the Supreme Court on a writ of habeas corpus.

In passing sentence on Kearney, the Judge said it was not his duty to punish the prisoner for similar offenses in the past, but to confine himself strictly to the consideration of the present case. He would pass judgment without prejudice, feeling or vindictiveness, but the sentence imposed would indicate his estimate of the gravity of the offense. He then passed sentence as before stated. Kearney received his sentence in silence, but his features expressed the utmost surprise and indignation. He had previously stated that he expected to get off with a fine of \$20 or thereabouts, and after leaving the court room he freely expressed his anger and chagrin, denouncing the penalty as outrageous, and claiming that he would beat it. Probably in expectation of a nominal sentence, his counsel had neglected to demand a jury trial, and having no recourse in that direction, at once filed an appeal to the Superior Court, furnishing bonds in the sum of \$3,000. On the street many expressions of gratification at Judge Rix's action are heard on all sides.

BOSTON, March 16.—The confession of Sidney B. Pratt, which has caused so much excitement among bank officials and the swindled depositors of the Reading Savings Bank, asserting that he, and he alone, is guilty of the crime of embezzlement, of which his partner, Nathan P. Pratt, convicted on Saturday, was accused does not seem to strike the officials of the bank as a very truthful statement. They claim that Nathan P. Pratt was undoubtedly guilty, inasmuch as evidence was presented at his trial to show that he had passed between \$20,000 and \$30,000 in his dealings with Mr. Appleton, of Lowell. They, however, say that Sidney B. Pratt might have been knowing to this fact, but even in that case, his father was a party to it. They say, further, that the admission of Sidney B. Pratt relative to forging mortgages at the time he offered to pay his father \$1,500 advanced by the latter on behalf of the bank is preposterous. They claim it to be silly to believe for a moment that the parties to whom mortgages were assigned by the elder Pratt should have allowed them to pass into the possession of Sidney, to be copied and forged by him. They claim that Nathan P. Pratt was a man of more than ordinary intelligence and education, and in many respects a sharp, shrewd, business man. He had the confidence of his town people to such a degree that he was elected to nearly every position of honor in the gift of the town. No man in Reading ever drew up more deeds or mortgages than he, therefore, it must be presumed, they say, that a man of his ability and experience in this direction could not have been ignorant of the falsity which his son Sidney now assumes all to himself.

NOTES: The friends of all political aspirants for Presidential honors, are confident that their particular candidate will come out ahead, but there are others who think there will be a "dark horse" enter the field at the last moment who will out-strip them all. The best of all horses, although not a political one, is the "Iron Horse," and such are used by the Indianapolis, Decatur & Springfield R.R. They are all fitted out with spark arresters, and in fact the whole equipment of this new short line between the east and west is the finest in the country. If you are contemplating a trip to the east or west on business or for pleasure, you will find the "I. D. & S." the best route to all points. Low fare, quick time and sure connections. For maps, time tables and full and reliable information, call on or address W. J. Nichols, Western Passenger Agent, Decatur, Ill.; J. C. Shawson, Eastern Passenger Agent, Indianapolis, Ind.; S. S. Boyd, Assistant Gen'l Freight Agent, or George A. Sande, General Freight and Ticket Agent, Fletcher and Sharpe's Block, Indianapolis, Ind. March 16—d&wt

Horses Wanted. E. B. Pratt will buy at his place of business, 37 North Church street, Decatur, from March 16th to April 17th, 1890, horses of the following description: Single drivers from 900 to 1200 pounds good matched carriage and gentlemen driving teams, 1000 to 1400 pounds, draft horses, single and matched, from 1000 to 1600 pounds each, from five to nine years old, for which good fair prices will be paid in cash. Feb 29 d&wt

Notice. The fifth series of stock of the People's Homestead, Savings and Loan Association, of Decatur, Ill., will be issued on Monday, April 5, 1890. D. C. Shackelford, Pres. O. B. Gorman, Sec. March 16th.

If you are going to Chicago, stop at Mrs. M. E. Willenburgh's boarding house at 44 South Sangamon street, where you will be furnished every accommodation at \$1 and \$2 per day. Dec 22—d&wt

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TOWNSHIP ELECTION.

We are authorized to announce JOHN A. BARNES as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican township nominating convention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M. DUFFEE as a candidate for Collector at the ensuing township election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN T. REED as a candidate for Assessor, at the ensuing township election.

We are authorized to announce FRED J. SMITH as a candidate for Assessor at the ensuing township election.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. HARRIS as a candidate for Assessor at the ensuing township election.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

BEAUTIFUL work, lunch, strap and office Baskets at BARTHOLOMEW'S. March 6-17

Meeting of the Guards to night.

Be present at the English Tea Party at Stapp's Chapel to-morrow night.

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ORDER fresh family groceries at Nidermyer's, on the Mound.

TSWARE and everything for house-keeping at Ashby & Address Feb-17

A BONANZA for druggists. See Jacob's Oil.

SEEK no further but go at once to Abel & Locke's for latest designs in wall-paper.

At the meeting of the Guards to be held to-night, the non-commissioned officers of the company will be chosen by ballot. There are several aspirants for first sergeant.

HOOP SKIRTS, the latest styles, made to order, on short notice, at Goldburg's, West Wood street. 19-17

CHINESE Zig-zag tobacco, clear Kentucky white filler. 14-17

DRES for sale at reasonable prices. Mar. 10-17 wdt E. A. GASTMAN.

BOY WANTED at Miller's Restaurant. 15-17

LADIES wishing to have any clothing done to order will please call on Goldburg on West Wood street, where they can also have any and all the latest styles of hoseknits made to order. Aug. 20-17

Get physicians' prescriptions filled at W. C. Armstrong's drug store.

Ask for the famous "Morning Glory" 5-cent cigar, sold by all first-class dealers.

No one who can enjoy a night of unrestrained mirth and laughter, should omit seeing the "Weatherby-Goodwin Froliques" in "Hobbies."—N. Y. Sunday Tribune.

"Hobbies" at the opera house on Monday evening, March 22. Popular prices. Reserved seats now on sale at Curtis & Ewing's.

Why have those pimples on your face, when you can be cured by a bottle of Bromoline? Try it. Sold by all druggists. mar10-d&w17

Tax sale of Thomas Kisinger, who keeps a grocery store and is postmaster at Raymond, on the St. Louis Branch of the Wabash, was blown open on Tuesday morning, and two hundred dollars in cash taken. The post office matter was not troubled, or goods in the store. The deed is supposed to have been the work of a couple of tramps, who were in town during the evening.

Let everybody remember that Abel & Locke have a splendid new stock of carpets on hand.

Go to Dr. A. J. Stoner, south side City Park, for Mrs. Freeman's New National Dyes. For brightness and durability of color they are unequalled.—Color 2 to 5 lbs., price 15 cents. Feb. 28-17

Far 41st birthday anniversary of ex-Alderman Overmire was most agreeably celebrated last evening, at the family residence on South Macon street. It was a genuine surprise party, the company assembling early in the evening at the residence of Mrs. J. G. Starr. Those present report it as having been a most delightful occasion in every respect.

A WELL-KNOWN German minister, Rev. A. Opitz, of Schleisingerville, Wis., writes:

I was a sufferer with Rheumatism for years. Friends recommended the use of St. Jacob's Oil. I tried it and must confess that the result was astonishing. Having hardly used up the first bottle, I found relief, and the second one cured me. I therefore feel under obligations, and shall recommend this effective remedy whenever I have a chance.

Tax those fresh bananas, Florida oranges, choice lemons, prunella, "Navy Blue" cigars, plug and smoking tobaccos, at HENRY EBBERTS', south corner of opera block. March 15-17

D. B. Shotguns, genuine twist barrel, walnut stock, B. A. Swivel Locks, at \$13; also common double guns for \$7.50; at aug 27-dit H. MEYER & Co's.

OUR druggists are selling large quantities of Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup for coughs, colds and pulmonary complaints generally. It takes the lead of all cough remedies. Try it. Price 25 cents, 50 cts. and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by all druggists. March 15-17

GLASSWARE and everything for house-keeping at Ashby & Address. Feb-17

SEE our three-button kid glove, for 50c. in all shades; excellent goods. 11-d&w17 CHEAP STORE.

YOUNG GENTLEMEN, call and see the assortment of fine shoes at Barber & Baker's before you buy. Nov. 26-17

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ATTEST.

Death of Hon. Henry B. Durfee.

Another active citizen of Decatur has gone to his long home; at half past eight o'clock this morning Henry B. Durfee passed calmly and peacefully away, after an illness of a fortnight's duration. When he was first attacked with pneumonia it was not thought serious, but a few days developed alarming symptoms, and for ten days past his friends have feared the worst. He was rational to the last moment, and was perfectly resigned to the fate which he knew was in store for him.

Henry Brightman Durfee was born in Washington county, Ohio, March 26th, 1820, and during the same year lost his father, his mother only living four years afterwards. He was descended from English stock, his ancestor, Thomas Durfee, having emigrated to the colony of Massachusetts Bay in 1690, settling at Fall River, where many of his descendants still reside. Benjamin, the 5th son of Thomas Durfee, was the immediate progenitor of the subject of this sketch, his son, Hon. Thomas Durfee, being the great-grandfather of the man whose death Decatur mourns. Col. Joseph Durfee, the grandfather of the late Henry B. Durfee, was born in 1750, and died at Fall River in 1841. He was a man of great force of character, who was closely identified with the industries of Fall River, and possessed many of the traits which distinguished his grandson. The son of this patriarch, Gardner Durfee, who was born in 1775, removed to the then wilderness of Ohio a year or two before the birth of his son Henry B., and as above stated, died shortly afterward, leaving a large family to struggle with the problem of life in a new country.

After the death of his parents, the subject of this sketch resided with an elder sister, and at an early age began to develop those remarkable traits of character which were so noticeable in after life. He was, emphatically, the architect of his own fortune, educating himself by his own efforts, and working his way up from poverty and obscurity to a position of influence and usefulness in the world.

He taught school in his early days, and read law during his spare moments. It is not generally known that he was admitted to the bar while residing in his native state, but such is the fact. However, he never practiced the profession, preferring to work at the mechanical trade which he had learned—that of a cabinet-maker—and at which he excelled.

In the year 1849 Mr. Durfee turned his steps westward, to make a home for himself and his young wife. He reached Decatur the same year, where he soon became closely identified with the interests of the young city. He had the misfortune to lose his wife soon afterwards, and he has told the writer of this sketch how he took their infant daughter in his arms and carried her back to Ohio, only to see her die shortly afterwards. He returned to Decatur, and resumed the active life he had begun, and about twenty-five years ago married his present estimable wife, who was a Miss Lucretia Busby, of Marion, Ohio. His history since that time is but the history of Decatur and Macon county. He has been identified with every interest that has promised to benefit the town and country. He was a member of the city council as long ago as 1857, and was also a member of the first board of supervisors after the county adopted township organization, serving as president of the board—a position to which he was frequently chosen afterwards. During the administration of Gov. Oglesby, when the state board of equalization was instituted, Mr. Durfee was appointed as the member for this district, and was afterwards elected to serve one term.

Mr. Durfee was a member of the city council in 1875 and 1876, and was again elected in 1878, his term expiring since he was taken sick. Mr. Durfee has always taken an active interest in everything pertaining to free schools, and has been a member of the board of education almost continuously for fifteen years past.

Mr. Durfee leaves a widow and five children—three sons and two daughters. It is hardly necessary that we should attempt an analysis of Mr. Durfee's character. He was known to all our people, and as he wore his heart upon his sleeve, everybody could judge him. But it is not inappropriate to say that in his death Decatur has lost one of her most public-spirited and useful citizens, his family a most thoughtful and kind protector, and the community one whose impulses and efforts were always in favor of the public good. He was firm and constant in his friendships, generous to a fault, and always ready to lend a helping hand to those who were struggling to get on in the world. He was a patriotic citizen—an honest man.

The funeral will take place from the tabernacle at 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon.

Captain John A. Barnes.

This gentleman is announced to-day as a candidate for the office of Township Collector, subject to the action of the Republican nominating convention. The Captain, as is well known by our people, is an old soldier and an active, enthusiastic Republican, and if nominated will make a successful race, and perform the duties of the office faithfully and well.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all kinds of skin eruptions. This Salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box.

For Sale Cheap.

A house and lot on corner of N. Church and Green streets—7 rooms, well and cistern—6 blocks from P. O. For terms, apply to F. B. TART. Dec-17

COOK WANTED.

A good female cook wanted immediately at No. 76 East Main street. March 15-17 Mrs. J. C. HART.

W. C. T. U.

All the ladies of the Union, and all others, are invited to meet at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A., on Thursday next at 3 p. m. Business of importance will come up before the meeting.

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OBITUARY.

Death of Mrs. M. E. Schroeder.

Although the cause of profound sadness and sorrow the news of the death of Mrs. M. E. Schroeder, which took place at 3:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was no surprise to her friends, inasmuch as her condition had been steadily growing worse for weeks. It is now more than three years since that dread disease, consumption, fastened itself upon her, and though she kept up bravely for a long time, she was forced to take her bed about three months ago, never to leave it.

Mrs. Schroeder, whose maiden name was Sarah A. Phelps, was 39 years of age, and was born in Fayette county Ohio. After the death of her parents she came to Illinois, an elder sister having preceded her, and was a pupil in our high school when it was first opened, in the fall of 1862. She afterwards taught school, and in August, 1866, was married to her now bereaved husband. A son and a daughter are left to mourn the early death of a mother who was all kindness and affection. Mrs. Schroeder was a woman of fine mental endowments, exceedingly bright and cheerful in her disposition, and amiable in manner to all with whom she came in contact. Her greatest delight was in her family, to which she was fondly devoted, and which occupied her entire time and attention.

The deceased leaves one brother, Win. A. Phelps, a practicing attorney in Chicago, an unmarried sister who resides at Wilmington, N. C., two sisters in Decatur, Mrs. A. W. Hardy and Mrs. B. F. Taylor, and another sister residing at London, Ohio, Mrs. Judge Lincoln. The last named sister has been at the bedside of Mrs. Schroeder for three months past, ministering with willing hands to every want and wish of the dying woman.

The funeral will take place at the residence, on West Prairie street, at 2 P. M. on Thursday, Rev. W. H. Prestley officiating. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to be present.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Gen. J. H. Moore was among the many callers at this office on yesterday.

James C. Lake, chairman of the Republican central committee, gave us a pleasant call this forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Micawber will receive their friends at the English Tea Party to be given at Stapp's Chapel to-morrow night.

Alderman Shellbarger departed for Kansas on yesterday afternoon, to be absent a number of days. He will visit Wichita, Wellington and other towns.

Alderman Bramble looked in upon us to-day; as did also W. H. Starr, D. C. Shockey, J. A. Brown, John R. Miller, and others.

Gen. Oglesby gave us a short call last evening, and on leaving quite seriously remarked that he thought Dr. Bills was digging those three cellars entirely too deep for the size of the proposed block.

President George Simpson gave us a call to-day, and entered a protest against members of the society making his shoulders sore by jamming him up against brick walls on divers occasions since the memorable night of the 8th instant. He carries a rusty butcher knife.

Mrs. Sarah A. Cook, of Macon, was in the city to-day shaking hands with her many friends here. She states that at Macon on Monday night a ledge of Good Templars, numbering 41 members, was instituted by Col. Long, and that meetings will be held every Friday night.

An Illustrated History.

Mr. O. S. Reed, an old newspaper man, is in the city for the purpose of canvassing for a well-bound illustrated history of Macon county, to be published by Brink McDonough & Co., a perfectly reliable firm. The work will be a complete history of the county from the coming of the earliest settler; will include a description of the physical features of the county, its geology, geography, resources, roll of honor of Macon county soldiers of all wars, lithographic views of prominent city and country buildings and residences, etc., etc. Should Mr. Reed meet with the encouragement commensurate with the merits of the proposed publication, our people will soon have a book of reference at a nominal cost that will be of incalculable benefit now and for years to come.

MARRIED.

In this city, on Wednesday, March 27, 1890, by Judge S. F. Greer, Mr. JOHN W. MYRLIN, of Decatur, and Mrs. LUTHA E. SKEPSTON, of Macon.

Attention Firm.

There will be a meeting of the Fair Department at Headquarters on Thursday evening, March 18th, 1890, at 7 o'clock P. M., to make arrangements to attend the funeral of ex-Chief Durfee, let there be a full attendance.

By order of Christ, Ed D. Carter, Secy.

From Hon. Andrew Cornell.

EX-MEMBER LEGISLATURE, N. Y. STATE ALEXANDRIA, VA., Jan. 3, 1890.

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Yours truly, A. CORNWELL.

Sold by W. C. Armstrong, druggist, 44-17

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Work in the armorial and chivalric ranks this Wednesday evening, 71 sharp W. J. HAMILTON, C. C.

M. DUFFEE, K. of R. S.

Church of God.

Services to-night and every night this week. Ordinance meeting next Saturday night. J. S. RICHMOND, Pastor.

SEND orders for dry wood to McChelland's coal yard. Jan 29-17

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SCALE OF PRICES:

Fifty and 75 cents; Reserved Seats, \$1.00. March 17-19

MARKET REPORT.

Decatur, Ill., March 17, 1890

GRAIN MARKET.

FLOUR—patent price market.	
Flour—White Wheat—spring per hundred lbs.	\$1.75
Flour—Red Wheat—spring per hundred lbs.	\$1.70
Flour—Yellow Wheat—spring per hundred lbs.	\$1.65
Flour—Soft Wheat—spring per hundred lbs.	\$1.60
Flour—Hard Wheat—spring per hundred lbs.	\$1.55
Flour—Soft Wheat—winter per hundred lbs.	\$1.50
Flour—Hard Wheat—winter per hundred lbs.	\$1.45
Flour—Soft Wheat—summer per hundred lbs.	\$1.40
Flour—Hard Wheat—summer per hundred lbs.	\$1.35

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